

WHAT IS CLAIMED:

- [00024]** 1. A method of accelerating setting time of concrete at low temperatures, the method comprising:
- (a) obtaining an admixture comprising a non-chloride type accelerator and a nitrite-based corrosion inhibitor; and
- (b) adding the admixture to a cement either separately or jointly, to produce a concrete mix with an accelerated setting time compared to a concrete without the admixture.
- [00025]** 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the admixture is added to the concrete when the ambient temperature is less than about 60° and more than 0° F
- [00026]** 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the accelerator is comprised of about 30% parts of the non-chloride type accelerator and 70% parts of the nitrite-based corrosion inhibitor.
- [00027]** 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the corrosion inhibitor is calcium nitrite-based.
- [00028]** 5. The method of claim 4, wherein the corrosion inhibitor is RHEOCRETE® CNI.
- [00029]** 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the non-chloride type accelerator is POZZUTEC® 20.
- [00030]** 7. The method of claim 1, wherein the concrete contains at least one filler.
- [00031]** 8. The method of claim 7, wherein the filler is a pozzolan.
- [00032]** 9. The method of claim 8, wherein the pozzolan is fly ash.
- [00033]** 10. An admixture for use in concrete at temperatures of less than 60° F, the admixture comprising a non-chloride type accelerator and a nitrite-based corrosion inhibitor.

- [00034]** 11. The admixture of claim 10, wherein the accelerator comprises about 30% parts of the non-chloride type accelerator and 70% parts of the nitrite-based corrosion inhibitor.
- [00035]** 12. The admixture of claim 10 further comprising a filler.
- [00036]** 13. The admixture of claim 12, wherein the filler is a pozzolan.
- [00037]** 14. The admixture of claim 13, wherein the pozzolan is fly ash.